

# California Governor's Office of Emergency Services EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – San Bernardino County Electing San Bernardine County

Flooding, San Bernardino County August 3, 2014 at 2315 hours

## SITUATION OVERVIEW:

At approximately 1716 hours, San Bernardino County Operational Area activated at Level 1 in support of flooding in the following four areas in the county: Forrest Falls, Mount Baldy, Oak Glen, and Lytle Creek.

# **Current Weather Watches/Warnings**

- \* Heavy rain has subsided in the San Bernardino County Valley and San Bernardino County Mountains.
- \* Intermittent thunderstorms continue in the High and South Deserts.
- \* A Flash Flood Warning was in effect until 2315 hours, 08/03/14, for Central San Bernardino County.
- \* A Flash Flood Watch is in effect until 0500 hours, 08/04/14, for portions of San Bernardino County.

#### **Forest Falls**

- \* Valley of the Falls Drive at the Mill Creek Crossing has been blocked by debris flow and is in the process of being cleared
- \* Mill Creek Canyon Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) has been activated to Level 2 and is assisting San Bernardino County Fire in canvasing the neighborhood. The CERT Team is stationed at the Forest Falls Community Center.
- \* The Forest Falls Community Center at 41303 Valley of the Falls Drive is currently accommodating canyon visitors until they are escorted out of the canyon. In addition, there is enough clearing for those that need to leave the community center with a fire escort.

## **Mount Baldy**

- \* A Disaster Action Team (DAT team) has been sent to Mount Baldy to make contact with residents.
- \* There have been reports of home damages and these are being assessed. Currently, one home has major damage and four homes have minor damage
- \* Per Mount Baldy Fire, there is one unverified fatality from a vehicle that washed up into the river.
- \* The American Red Cross responded to assist residents whose homes may have been damaged in Mounty Baldy. One family received assistance with food, clothing and comfort.

#### Oak Glen

- \* A shelter in place was issued by Oak Glen Fire Department so residents did not drive in the debris flow.
- \* The west side of Oak Glen Road has been cleared and residents are allowed to enter and leave. The east side entrance at Wildwood Canyon Road is anticipated to remain closed until tomorrow.
- \* San Bernardino City Fire has responded to at least one swift water rescue.

## **Emergency Management:**

#### **Shelters**

\* The American Red Cross is on standby at this time and has not set up any shelters.

## **Road Closures**

- \* US 95 south of Needles remains closed in both directions between Mile Marker 6 and Mile Marker 44.
- \* California 177 in the South Desert remains closed in both directions from Interstate 10 to Highway 62.
- \* Highway 62 in the South Desert remains closed in both directions between California 177 and Parker, AZ.
- \* Reche Canyon in the Colton area is closed in both directions from Washington Street south to the County line.
- \* Tippecanoe in the City of San Bernardino remains closed in both directions between Harry Shepard and Mill Street.
- \* Valley of the Falls Drive in Forest Falls remains closed in both directions at Clark Creek.
- \* The west side of Oak Glen Road has been cleared and residents are allowed to enter and leave. The east side entrance at Wildwood Canyon Road is anticipated to remain closed until tomorrow.
- \* Potato Canyon in Oak Glen is closed in both directions.

#### **Activations**

- \* San Bernardino County EOC is activated at Level 1.
- \* City of Redlands EOC activated to Level I due to multiple storm related incidents at 1830 hours and deactivated at 2030 hours.
- \* Cal OES Southern Region is activated at level 1.

There are currently no requests for assistance or unmet needs.

The Cal OES SDO, FDO, and LDO continue to monitor the incident.

This report will be updated as information becomes available.